



Loving Your Neighbor (Luke 10:25-27)

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Hope Mennonite Church

March 30, 2025

9:30 am Worship

Fourth Sunday of Lent: *Christ Collides with Our Selfishness*

Gathering to Worship

*As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.
Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.*

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship

One: As we worship, Christ collides with our selfishness.

Many: Lord, stir our beings as we turn to you.

One: Lord, shake our perspective as you work in our lives.

Many: Help us center on you!

All: We are persuaded to listen to you as we worship this Day, our Living God.

*Songs of Gathering

"We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer"

#34

Hearing God's Word

Time with the Children

Kendal Warkentine

"Rain Come Down"

by Shawn Kirchner

Choir

Confession and words of assurance

***All: Loving and merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you.***

North: We have not loved you

with all our thoughts, words, and actions.

South: We have sinned through what we have chosen to do and what we have chosen to neglect.

North: We have not fully accepted your love for us. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

South: We prioritize the wrong things and the wrong people.

All: We repent before each other and before you, our loving God. Please help us open our hearts to your love. Help us bring our priorities in line with yours so we may

better share your peace in your world, rejoicing in your name. Amen.

Now hear these words of assurance: God tells us that we are created in God’s image. God created us for relationship with God and each other. In this, we know that God will never break our relationship. God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Scripture reading		Luke 16:19-31
“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”		#581
Message	“Death and Taxes”	Sara Dick
“Amazing Grace”	arr. Norman Luboff	Choir

Responding to God’s Word

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory “My Coins Count”		Insert
Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)		
Seeing and Seeking God		
Work of the Church		
Sharing our Praises and Concerns		
Prayers of God’s People		

Sending

*“Christ Has No Body Here but Ours”	#568
*Benediction	
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*Stand as you are able	

A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us this morning in person or on Zoom. Our Lenten theme this year is “Christ Collides.” Each week’s texts offer a glimpse into how the contents of Jesus’ teachings collides with us and our world

Upcoming Worship Services

April 6	Fifth Sunday of Lent: Christ Collides with Our Blinders
April 13	Palm Sunday
April 20	Easter

Stay in Touch with Hope

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Church Office Hours

Sara Dick This week: on vacation

Cynthia Monday-Thursday 9 -1:30 pm

Kim Friday 9-1 pm

Staff meeting Tuesday 9:30 am

Hope on Facebook: Follow the link at hopemennonite.org and “like” Hope Mennonite Church to see pictures & updates on church life.

First Fruits Giving

Giving the first and best of that we are given.

March 23

Attendance 91 (Hope 82; Zoom 9)

Offering last Sunday \$3252

Year to date \$43,027

Spending Plan commitment year to date \$64,615

Hope offers an electronic option of giving through **Tithely**.
Contact the church office for instructions.

Our Purpose: *As an Anabaptist community of faith empowered by the Holy Spirit, Hope Mennonite Church is calling and making disciples who bring Christ's love and peace to our world*

Hope Mennonite Church Statement of Welcome and Inclusion

We believe all people are created in God's image and we covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we seek to follow Jesus. We gather around God's table as an open and affirming congregation, embracing all people to full participation in the life and ministry of our church regardless of age, race, marital status, sexual orientation, economic status, gender identity, citizenship, ability, ethnicity, or any other factor subject to discrimination or exclusion in our world. We recognize and give thanks for the diverse opinions among us and are united as we strive to model a community of faith offering justice, peace, love, and compassion in the name of Christ.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Kendal Warkentine

Pianist: Vicki Howard

Song leader: Trae Gehring

Scripture reader: Leslie James

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Renetta Gooden

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (March 30-April 5)

Tuesday -2:00 pm Women's Bible study: PRONE TO
WANDER: A Lenten Journey with Women in the
Wilderness by Joanna Harader.

Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study: PRONE TO
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Saturday -Sandwich Saturday



Mower this week – Randy Pinkerton

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Bob & Delaine Stolze



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Donovan & Laurie Regehr

Next Sunday: Clinton & Katie Chlumsky

April 13: Jared & Natalie Regehr

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (April 6-12)

Sunday -during Sunday School-Inquiry class

Tuesday -11:00 am 40th Anniversary committee
-2:00 pm Women's Bible study: PRONE TO
WANDER: A Lenten Journey with Women in the
Wilderness by Joanna Harader.

Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Hopeful Blues rehearsal

Fri/Sat MCC Sale in Hutchinson



*Preschool: Room 8/9 downstairs

*Elementary: Room 2 downstairs

*Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

*Adults in the sanctuary: Interim Pastor Sara Dick will be leading discussions on the book *How to Have an Enemy: Righteous Anger and the Work of Peace* (chapters 3 & 6) by Melissa Florer-Bixler, a pastor at Raleigh Mennonite Church. One of the women's groups studied this book, so if you weren't part of that book study or have forgotten about it since, please plan to join! Extra copies of the book are available at the church.

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Visitors & guests last Sunday: Randall & Amy Zerger; Mitch Stutzman; Janet Stanley; Kristen Voth (via zoom); Rita Schmidt

Holy Week: **Maundy Thursday is April 17** starting with a light meal at 6:30, then followed by the service in the sanctuary at 7 pm. Please bring sandwiches to share. Sign up is on the bulletin board. **Easter is then April 20.** Please bring breads ready to serve for our traditional Easter Feast immediately following the service. Both services will be available via zoom.

My Coins Count: We have collected \$557 in coins (and paper money) through Sunday, March 9. Our total donation to the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale last year was \$336. Final total next week.

Interim pastor Sara Dick will be concluding her ministry at Hope in worship on Sunday, June 29, and her last day in the office will be Monday, June 30. We look forward to giving thanks to Pastor Sara for her service to Hope at that time!

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus Concerts: You are invited to join us for an upcoming concert of the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus. The 120-member chorus includes members from our church (Marvin Schmucker and Lowell Birkey). The concert will include traditional hymns and contemporary selections performed in four-part harmony. The concerts are free with an offering benefiting the global mission support work of Mennonite Central Committee.

- April 6, 2025, 4:00 pm, Richert Auditorium, Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS
- April 13, 2025, 4:00 pm, Memorial Hall, Bethel College, North Newton, KS

MennoCon 2025 Hope is still seeking 3 individuals to attend as delegates on behalf of the congregation. All registration and travel costs will be paid for by Hope. The Follow Jesus 25 convention will take place July 8-12, 2025, at Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, NC. In addition to ensuring Hope has a voice in decisions at our conference level, there are additional opportunities for networking, learning, engaging worship, Celebration of the 500th Anniversary of Anabaptism, and more!
Monday, July 7. National Organizing Training: Mennonite Action is holding a national organizing training in **Raleigh, NC** preceding this year's Mennonite Convention.

Tuesday July 8: Women in Leadership Summit

Wednesday/Thursday July 9 & 10: Conference sessions

Friday July 11: Delegate Session

Additional Information: <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/>

Additional info on Mennonite Action Training: [Mennonite Action is holding a national organizing training](#)

If you are interested, please contact Michelle Jantz at

Moderator@hopemennonite.org

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is right around the corner on **April 11 & 12**. There are lots of ways to volunteer during the weekend. To check out the opportunities (and hopefully sign up) you can go to KANSAS.MCCSALE.ORG/VOLUNTEER or click on the QR Code printed on the poster on the bulletin board.

Children's Auction - Consider donating new, in-the-package, items to this year's auction! You can never go wrong with Hot Wheels, Barbie, board games, Lego sets, art kits, and sports equipment. If you wish to volunteer for the auction by clerking or helping in other ways please contact Brad Kohlman bkohlman32@gmail.com

Western District Women in Mission (WDWM) invites women and girls to their annual potluck salad supper on Monday, **April 28** at 6 p.m. at the Tabor Mennonite Church: "For the Beauty of the Earth." Rebecca Schrag will lead a floral design workshop with flowers provided by Firebranch Farm and other sources. Each participant will make a small bouquet to take home. RSVP at <https://www.westerndistrictwomeninmission.org/events-1> by April 15. Please bring: a salad to share (table service will be provided), a small vessel to make a bouquet (a tea cup is ideal), several flowers from your garden if you have them, a kitchen/garden shear(if possible) Questions?- westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com